

2006 Basic Health Member Handbook

Watch for your 2006 Basic Health Member Handbook, which will be sent to you in January. It is your certificate of coverage—the legal document that describes the Basic Health program and benefits, and outlines your rights and responsibilities.

Cost-sharing for 2006

Remember that the deductible and out-of-pocket maximums for each covered family member will start over beginning January 1, 2006, for those benefits and services subject to a deductible and coinsurance. Other reminders about your cost-sharing responsibilities...

 In most cases, copays are \$15 for doctor visits and \$100 for emergency room visits.

• \$150 deductible for certain covered medical costs before your health plan pays the 80% coinsurance.

Recertification and tax returns

If you receive information from us explaining that you've been selected for "recertification," don't delay sending in your recertification information just because you haven't yet done your taxes for 2005. If it's before April 15, 2006, include a copy of your 2004 taxes. If you've filed an extension, send a copy of that. If you're having trouble gathering all the information you need to complete a recertification, be sure to send what you have before the due date and tell us which pieces you're having trouble gathering.

When calling Basic Health...

 Please have your Basic Health I.D. number ready. This is usually your social security number, and can be found on correspondence you receive from Basic Health.



• Please note who you spoke with.



This serves as official notice of changes to your Basic Health coverage, and is an addendum to your Member Handbook.

To obtain this document in another format (such as Braille or audio), call our Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator at 360-923-2805. TTY users (deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired), call 360-923-2701 or toll-free 1-888-923-5622.

Questions about your I.D. cards, providers, and specific health benefits

If you have questions about your I.D. cards, providers, or specific health benefits, please call your health plan rather than Basic Health.

Health plan	Phone numbers	Web site	Customer service hours
Columbia United Providers, Inc.	1-800-315-7862 or 360-891-1520 TTY/TDD: 1-866-287-9962	www.cuphealth.com	Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Community Health Plan of Washington	1-800-440-1561 TTY/TDD: 1-800-833-6388	www.chpw.org	Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Group Health Cooperative	1-888-901-4636 TTY/TDD: 1-800-833-6388	www.ghc.org	Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of the Northwest	1-800-813-2000 TTY/TDD: 1-800-324-8010	www.kaiserpermanente.org	Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Molina Healthcare of Washington, Inc	1-800-869-7165 TTY/TDD: 1-877-665-4629	www.molinahealthcare.com/washington	Mon. – Fri. 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

A message from the IRS



To find out whether you qualify for the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), **call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040**, and ask for the free IRS Publication 596, Earned Income Credit. You may also download it from the IRS Web site, www.irs.gov. (Basic Health will not be able to answer questions about EITC.)

You may qualify for the EITC on your 2005 tax return if you:

- Earned less than \$11,750 (\$13,750, if married filing jointly), and you do not have a qualifying child.
- Earned less than \$31,030 (\$33,030, if married filing jointly), and you have one qualifying child.
- Earned less than \$35,263 (\$37,263, if married filing jointly), and you have more than one qualifying child.

The amount of the EITC varies, depending on total earnings, other income, and certain other circumstances.